

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Claude THIBODEAU *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/550,748

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For: STARCH NETWORKS AS ABSORBENT  
OR SUPERABSORBENT MATERIALS  
AND THEIR PREPARATION BY  
EXTRUSION

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS DATED MAY 19, 2006**

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of four months to and including November 19, 2006 in which to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated May 19, 2006.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$1,490.00 is enclosed, which includes the process fee (\$795.00) for a one month extension of time.

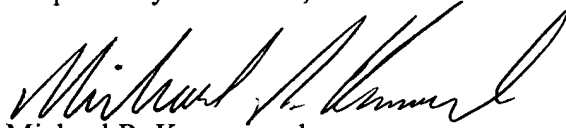
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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael R. Krawzsenek", written in a cursive style.

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